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1. The reply filed on November 17, 2004 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicant has not officially elected an invention. While Applicant withdrew the claims directed to inventions II and III (leaving the claims directed toward invention I pending), Applicant added new claims 31-35. None of claims 31-35 is directed toward invention I; therefore, Applicant has not adequately responded to the outstanding restriction requirement. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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